

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the following reasons.

In response to the Examiner's Office Action dated October 22, 2004, in which it was noted that, claims 9 and 20-41 had been canceled in a previous Amendment, yet these claims appear in the Amendment and Reply dated June 1, 2004, this Amendment correctly identifies claims 9 and 20-41 as having been canceled. The inclusion of the text of claims 9 and 20-41 in the June 1 Response was an inadvertent clerical error. Applicants reserve the right to file divisional and/or continuation application(s) drawn to the canceled claims. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

Upon entry of this amendment, claims 1-8, 10-19, 42-48 and 50-70 are pending. Claims 50-70 have been allowed. Claims 1-8, 10-19, and 42-48 were rejected in a previous office action, and were not addressed in the office action dated October 22, 2004.

Conclusion

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-2228. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 50-2228. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of

papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R.
§1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2228.

Respectfully submitted,

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